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Agency Information Collection Activities (Certification of School Attendance – REPS) under OMB Review

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before [Insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through <a href="www.Regulations.gov">www.Regulations.gov</a>, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to <a href="mailto:oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov">oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov</a>. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0394" in any correspondence.

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

<u>Title</u>: Certification of School Attendance - REPS, VA Form 21-8926.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0394.

<u>Type of Review</u>: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 21-8926 is used to verify beneficiaries receiving REPS benefits based on schoolchild status are in fact enrolled full-time in an approved school and is otherwise eligible for continued benefits. The program pays benefits to certain surviving spouses and children of Veterans who died in service prior to August 13, 1981 or who died as a result of a service-connected disability incurred or aggravated prior to August 13, 1981. Beneficiaries over age 18 and under age 23 must be enrolled full-time in an approved post-secondary school at the beginning of the school year to continue receiving REPS benefits.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on January 3, 2014, at pages 426-427.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 300 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,200.

DATED: June 9, 2014

By direction of the Secretary:

Crystal Rennie, Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs

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